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NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 CFR §1.191

Sir/Madam:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals and Patent Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated 24 April 2006, in which the rejection of Claims 21-27, 32 and 33 was made final.

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17(b), and based on large entity status, a fee of \$500.00 is required with this submission and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge this fee and any other fee deficiencies connected with this or any accompanying paper to Applicants' Deposit Account.

A response to the final rejection is filed concurrently with this paper.

A petition for extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 for two months from the deadline for responding to the final rejection, together with the appropriate fee under 37 CFR §1.17(a)(3) is filed concurrently herewith, making the new deadline for response 24 September 2006.

Respectfully submitted.

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